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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY

IN THE MATTER OF

ANNE MARIE TARANGELO, D.M.D)
LICENSE NO. 17961)

ORDER

LICENSED TO PRACTICE DENTISTRY
IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

This matter was opened by the New Jersey Board of Dentistry ("Board") upon receipt of information that Anne Marie Tarangelo, D.M.D., ("respondent") had engaged in the practice of dentistry in this State without holding a current license. On July 7, 1999, the Board conducted a hearing on respondent's application for licensure. Based on the information provided by Dr. Tarangelo, the Board has determined that it will issue the license upon compliance with the terms of this order.

Respondent was originally licensed by the Board in September, 1991. She failed to renew her dental license for the renewal periods 1995 - 1997 and 1997-1999. In December 1998, respondent submitted a new application for a dental license and listed in that application her employment at Bergen County Community College between 1995 and 1998. Following review of the information in her application and materials provided by Bergen County Community College, including Dr. Tarangelo's application for a teaching position at that institution, the Board found cause to believe that Dr. Tarangelo had engaged in the practice of dentistry without the benefit of a current registration. The Board scheduled a hearing

on July 7, 1999, at which time respondent was given an opportunity to present information to the Board regarding her conduct, <u>i.e.</u>, engaging in the practice of dentistry without maintaining current licensure and any mitigation of a sanction to be imposed.

Dr. Tarangelo testified that she had worked in New York State between 1991 and 1996 and that her failure to renew was not deliberate. As she was not working in New Jersey for most of that period, she did not pay close attention to her license status. When she realized in 1998 that she did not have a current license, she immediately submitted an application to the Board. Dr. Tarangelo further testified and provided proofs that she had taken continuing education courses as required by the Board's regulations during the period that she did not hold a current license.

The Board has determined that respondent's license should be reinstated. She has demonstrated that the failure to maintain current licensure was not an attempt to avoid the Board's requirements but rather a matter of inattention that will not be repeated. Nonetheless, Dr. Tarangelo shall be required to pay a civil penalty of \$500.00 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-22 for engaging in the practice of dentistry without a current license. She shall also pay costs associated with this matter, the reinstatement fee, and the current licensing fee.

THEREFORE, IT IS ON THIS 24 DAY OF AUGUST, 1999, ORDERED:

1. The license of Anne Marie Tarangelo, D.M.D., shall be reinstated upon her compliance with the terms of this order.

- 2. Dr. Tarangelo shall pay a civil penalty of \$500.00 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-22 for practicing dentistry without a current registration. The penalty shall be paid by certified check or money order, payable to the State of New Jersey, and forwarded to Agnes M. Clarke, Executive Director, State Board of Dentistry, P.O. Box 45005, Newark, New Jersey 07101.
- 3. Dr. Tarangelo shall pay costs of \$153.00 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-25. Payment shall be made in the manner set forth in paragraph 1.
- 4. Dr. Tarangelo shall pay a reinstatement fee of \$200.00 and the current biennial registration fee of \$100.00. Payment shall be made in the manner set forth in paragraph 1.

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